

# SENATE AMENDMENTS

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By: Herrero

H.B. No. 4300

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to safety rules for certain pipeline facilities and public awareness.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Sections 121.2015(c) and (d), Utilities Code, are amended to read as follows:

(c) If the operator or operator's representative cannot arrange a meeting in person after complying with Subsection (b), the operator or the operator's representative may [~~shall make an effort to~~] conduct community liaison activities by [~~means of a telephone conference call with the officials by~~] one of the following methods:

(1) holding [~~mailing a written request for~~] a telephone conference with [~~to~~] the appropriate officials [~~by certified mail, return receipt requested~~]; or

(2) delivering [~~sending a request for a telephone conference to the appropriate officials by facsimile transmission,~~ ~~or~~

[~~(3) making one or more telephone calls or e-mail message transmissions to the appropriate officials to request a telephone conference.~~

[~~(d) If the operator or the operator's representative has made the efforts required by Subsections (b) and (c) but has not successfully arranged a meeting in person or a telephone~~

1 ~~conference,~~] the community liaison information required to be  
2 conveyed [~~may be delivered by mailing the information~~] by certified  
3 mail, return receipt requested.

4 SECTION 2. Sections 117.012(i) and (j), Natural Resources  
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27 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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Secretary of the Senate

*[Signature]*  
Secretary of the Senate

By: Williams

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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4300 :

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**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 28, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB4300** by Herrero (Relating to safety rules for certain pipeline facilities and public awareness.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would make changes to the required process for prescribing the method by which natural gas pipelines conduct mandatory public awareness briefings. The bill would allow an operator that has been unable to arrange a meeting in person to conduct liaison activities to do so either by holding a telephone conference with the appropriate officials or by delivering the community liaison information by certified mail, return receipt requested.

No significant fiscal impact to the Railroad Commission is expected.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 455 Railroad Commission

**LBB Staff:** JOB, SZ, TL, SD

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Austin, Texas

**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 23, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Kip Averitt, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB4300** by Herrero (Relating to safety rules for certain pipeline facilities and public awareness.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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**May 8, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Kip Averitt, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

April 6, 2009

**TO:** Honorable Jim Keffer, Chair, House Committee on Energy Resources

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB4300** by Herrero (Relating to safety rules for gas pipeline facilities and public awareness.), **As Introduced**

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